

# HB2875



## 97TH GENERAL ASSEMBLY

### State of Illinois

2011 and 2012

HB2875

Introduced 2/22/2011, by Rep. Brandon W. Phelps

#### SYNOPSIS AS INTRODUCED:

20 ILCS 2805/2.02a new

Amends the Department of Veterans Affairs Act. Provides that any natural father, natural mother, or spouse of a veteran killed in the line of duty, (also known as a Gold Star Family member) deemed eligible for per diem payments by the United States Department of Veterans Affairs who was a resident of the State of Illinois for a continuous period of one year immediately before making application is entitled to admission to any of the Illinois Veterans Homes should vacant beds exist. Further provides that preference for filling vacant beds or for filling vacant beds from a waiting list shall be granted first to eligible veterans.

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FISCAL NOTE ACT  
MAY APPLY

A BILL FOR

1 AN ACT concerning State government.

2 **Be it enacted by the People of the State of Illinois,**  
3 **represented in the General Assembly:**

4 Section 5. The Department of Veterans Affairs Act is  
5 amended by adding Section 2.02a as follows:

6 (20 ILCS 2805/2.02a new)

7 Sec. 2.02a. Gold Star Family. Any natural father, natural  
8 mother, or spouse of a veteran killed in the line of duty,  
9 (also known as a Gold Star Family member) deemed eligible for  
10 per diem payments by the United States Department of Veterans  
11 Affairs who was a resident of the State of Illinois for a  
12 continuous period of one year immediately before making  
13 application is entitled to admission to any of the Illinois  
14 Veterans Homes should vacant beds exist. Preference for filling  
15 vacant beds or for filling vacant beds from a waiting list  
16 shall be granted first to eligible veterans.